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TITLE OF INVENTION: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS FOR COMPRESSING IMAGE DATA WITH OPTIMUM COMPRESSION METHOD CORRESPONDING TO IMAGE SIZE THEREOF

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